



2025 ANNUAL REPORT

35 YEARS OF SERVICE

# COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

As I write this letter, three words come to mind: Teamwork, Purpose, and Pride. I will address each one individually and explain why I think they are so impactful to HUNT.

2025 was a year of significant change for HUNT, with the transition of a new team commander, new section commander, and virtually a new team with the addition of two MPS trooper detectives and one Alpena Police detective. During this time, the members have coalesced into a highly functioning, energetic, enthusiastic and motivated group. HUNT is showing exceptional teamwork, not only as a unit, but with all local agencies. We have also partnered with other multi-jurisdictional teams to not only work cases but also train together.

Several training opportunities were put together last year that were very popular and productive. This emphasis on teamwork will be one of the things HUNT is known for. In the coming year, our experienced detectives will be reaching out to each department to host an informational session on local drug trends and what concealment methods are being utilized. The more knowledge our local partners have in current trends, the better equipped they will be to assist with interdiction.

As evidenced by the activity highlights in our annual report, our area of operation is under siege by the scourge of meth, fentanyl, crack, and cocaine. These drugs can be directly tied to a multitude of other crimes, including breaking and entering's, larcenies, domestic violence, and assaults. Taking these drug dealers off the streets directly leads to a decrease in other crimes in our communities. HUNT will continue to aggressively pursue these drug pushers and escort them off the streets.

The purpose of HUNT has never been clearer.

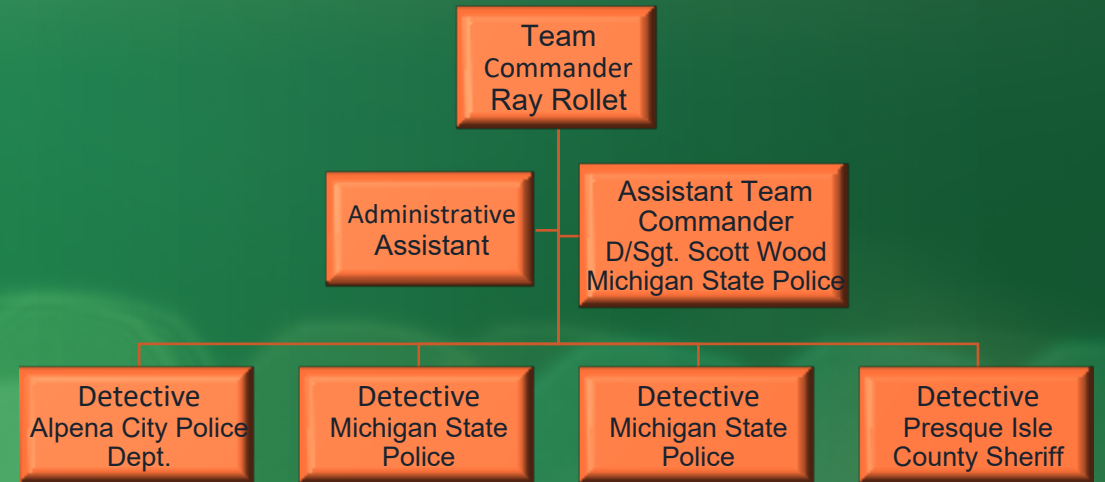
As I stepped into this new position, it became abundantly clear how much pride our board members have in the HUNT team. Meeting with all of the board members and various stakeholders, I was impressed with the value that HUNT brings to northeast Michigan and am eager to foster deeper collaboration and partnership on our shared desire to provide for a safer community for all residents. This is the only plain clothes detective unit available in the four counties that we serve. The pride of working on HUNT is apparent from the new detectives, and they see how important HUNT is to the community. HUNT will continue to work hard and show why you should have pride in being part of HUNT.

Finally, as a point of pride, I would like to take a moment to recognize the work of our Detective Sergeant Scott Wood who will be retiring this year, after serving HUNT for 16 years. D/Sgt. Wood has been instrumental in fostering a dynamic team of detectives, passionately working toward the goal of "HUNTING" down drug dealers. We wish D/Sgt. Wood all the best in his future endeavors. Finally, I want to thank you all for your continued partnership with and support of HUNT!

**The HUNT team stands ready serve your community.**



# THE ORGANIZATION



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## Member Participation

<b>Member Entity</b>	<b>Advisory Board Member</b>	<b>Funding</b>	<b>In-Kind Provisions</b>
Alcona County	Terry Small	\$8,000	
Alpena County	Lucille Bray	\$8,000	Fiduciary Services
Alpena City	Kevin Currier	\$8,000	One Full-Time Officer
Montmorency County	Don Edwards	\$8,000	
Presque Isle County	Robin Hughes	\$8,000	One Full-Time Deputy
Rogers City	Ken Bielas	\$5,000	
Michigan State Police			4 Full-Time Officers, Office Space, Utilities, 4 Vehicles
* Additional Funding - \$65,398 from Byrne Jag Grant			



# THE MISSION

## Goals & Objectives

### GOAL 1

Disrupt the availability of illegal drugs, specifically heroine, fentanyl, cocaine methamphetamine, and prescription opiates.

- Reduce deaths and serious injury from drug overdoses.
- Reduce toll on community caused by drug trafficking.
- Remove drug offenders from regional area.
- Reduce and solve drug related criminal activity.
- Reduce community harm.

### GOAL 2

Provide other agency assistance/awareness and public awareness.

- Provide detective support/equipment to partner agencies.
- Provide drug trend information.
- Collaborate with treatment/prevention agencies.
- Increase public awareness of drug trends.
- Provide prevention efforts.



# TRAINING

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Entry

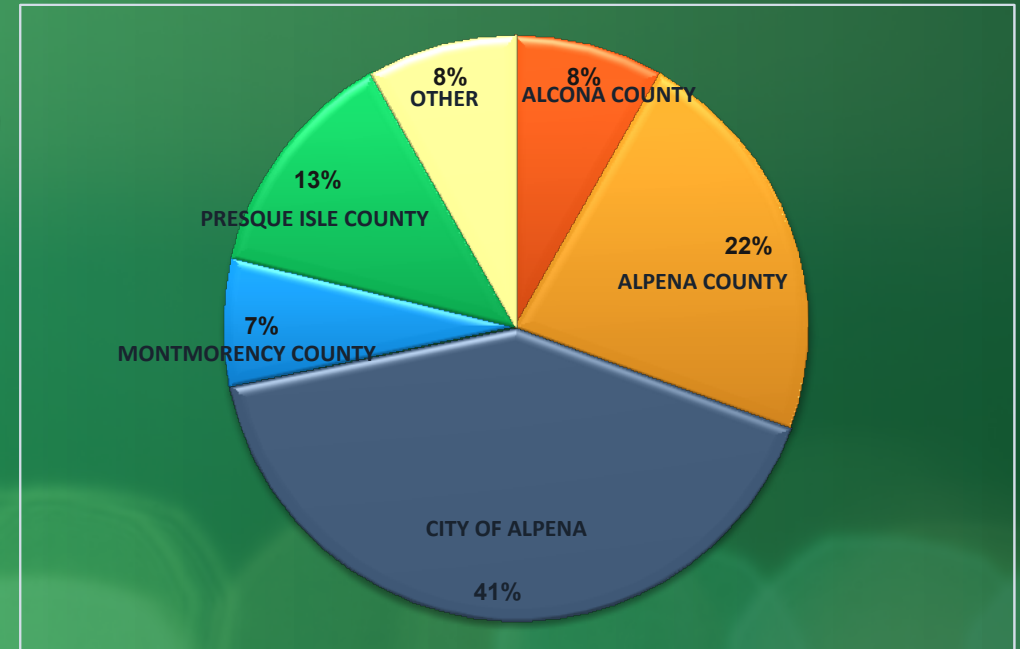
NARC  
School

Surveillance  
School

Mini NARC  
School



# INVESTIGATIONS



INVESTIGATIONS BY JURISDICTION



# INVESTIGATIONS

46

## DRUG RELATED CASES

Methamphetamine ----- 32  
Cocaine ----- 5  
Fentanyl ----- 3  
Amphetamines ----- 3  
Rx Opiates ----- 3

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## FUGITIVE LOCATION/ ARREST

Eleven fugitive investigations were initiated with eight successful arrests of wanted fugitives.

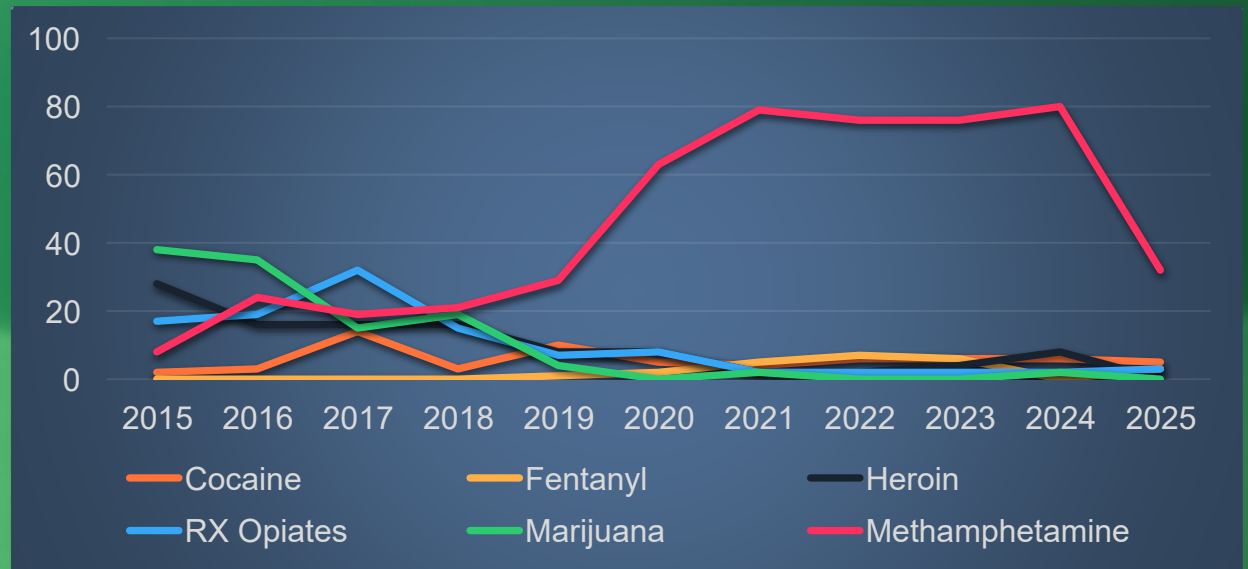
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## AGENCY ASSIST

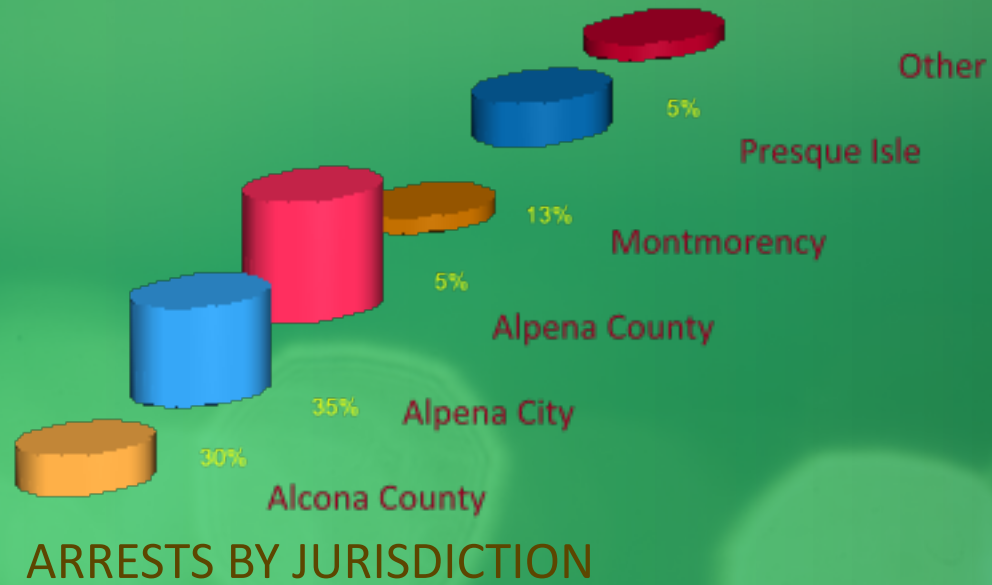
HUNT partnered with local agencies for various criminal activities, including search warrants, RAID entries, and on-scene drug arrests with road patrol.

## TRENDS

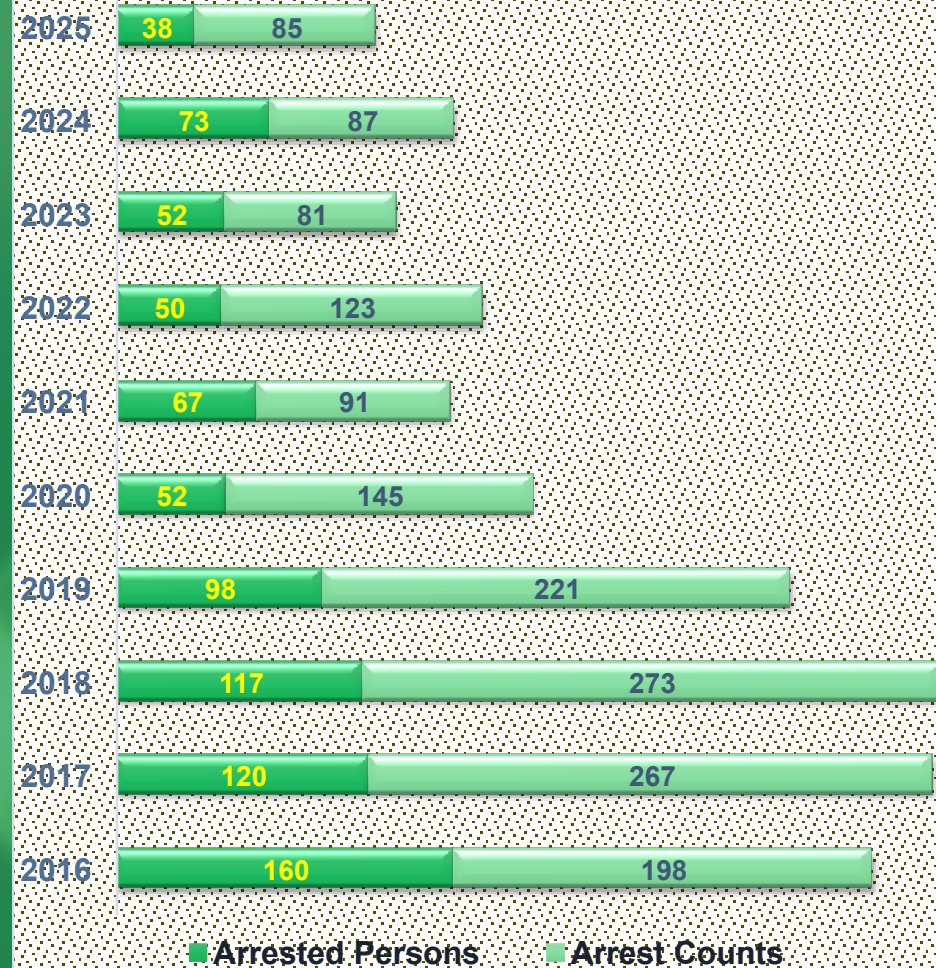
The chart below shows percentages of substances involved in HUNT drug cases over the past 10 years. Methamphetamine is trending down significantly for 2025 but still remains the prevalent drug of choice.



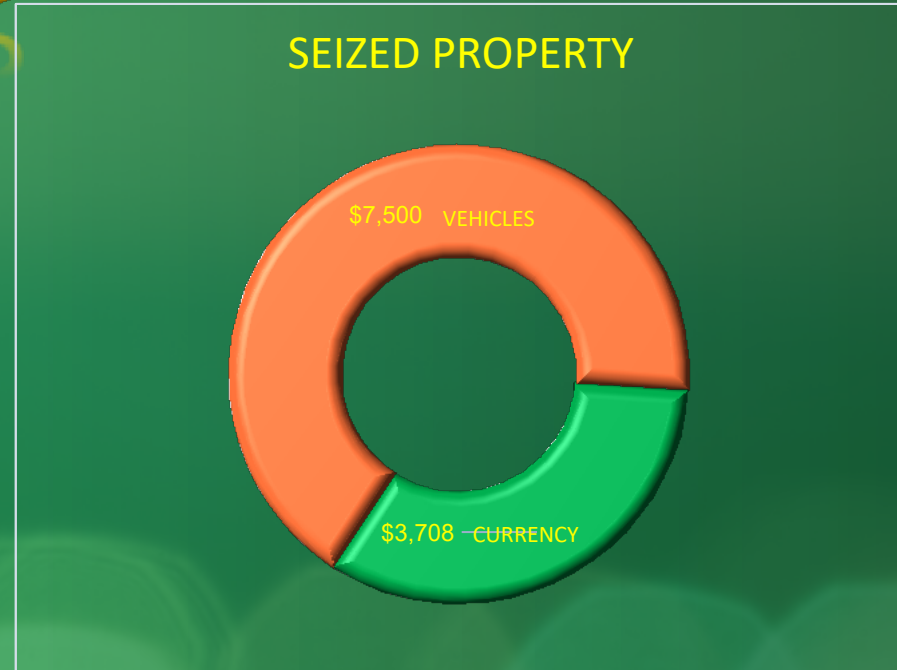
# THE RESULTS



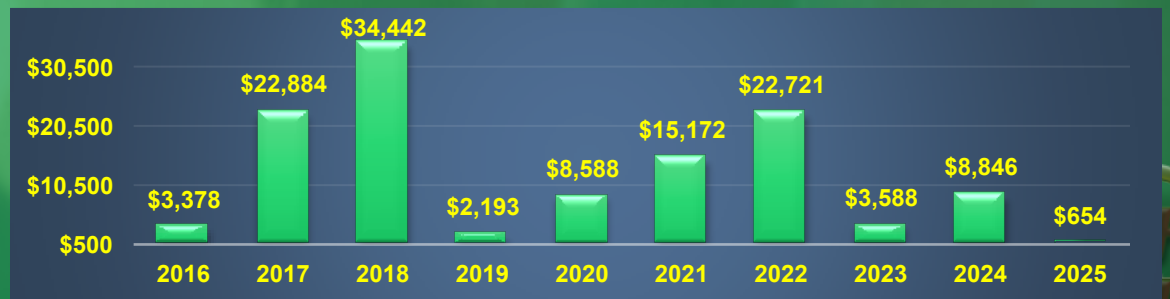
## TOTAL ANNUAL ARRESTS



# SEARCHES/SEIZURES



FIREARMS SEIZED



FORFEITURE PROCEEDS

# DRUG SEIZURES

## DRUGS SEIZED

DRUG	QUANTITY	VALUE
Cocaine	799.3 Grams	\$79,930
Cocaine	9 Units	\$900
Crack Cocaine	46 Grams	\$4,600
Fentanyl	9.8 Grams	\$980
Heroin	1.4 Units	\$350
Marijuana	2.3 Grams	\$23
Methamphetamine	769.51 Grams	\$76,951
Prescription Opiates	28 Units	\$925
Synthetics	18.5 Units	\$278
Non-Scheduled Substances	14 Units, 33.2 Grams	\$264

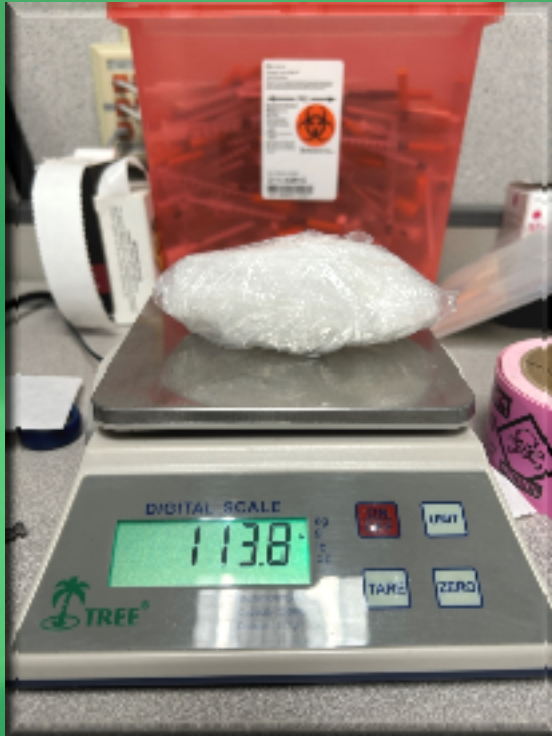


STREET VALUE OF DRUGS SEIZED, PAST 10 YEARS



# ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

## ALPENA



On March 27, 2025 HUNT Detectives, utilizing electronic surveillance methods, were able to conduct a traffic stop on a known narcotics trafficker after he made a suspected drug run downstate. Over 113 grams of methamphetamine and \$447 were seized from the Alpena man, who had hidden the drugs down his pants. A follow-up search warrant at the suspect's residence revealed additional amounts of methamphetamine and additional evidence of drug sales.

Suspected was convicted in September 2025, sentenced to 120 months – 40 years in state prison.

STREET VALUE OF DRUGS SEIZED ~ \$11,380



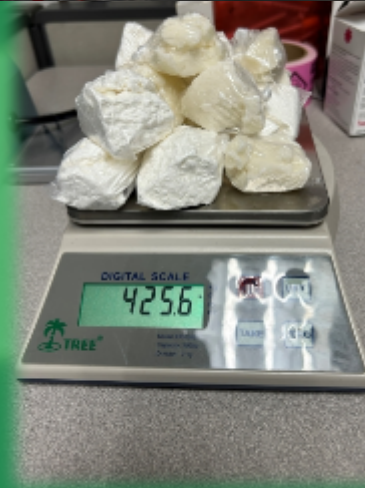
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## ALPENA CITY & COUNTY

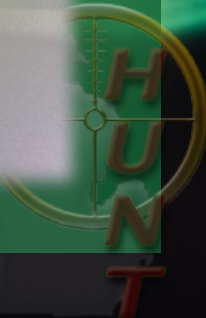
Summer 2025, Tpr. Clark, Alpena Post, made a traffic stop and an arrest for possession of crack. He contacted HUNT after the suspect indicated they may cooperate. HUNT Detectives debriefed the suspect, gathering intel on multiple suspects, including a local man from Alpena who allegedly was tripping down state to pick up large amounts of cocaine. Intel work and physical surveillance by detectives led to a tracker search warrant; however, due to security cameras, the tracker could not be deployed safely. A phone ping search warrant was then obtained. HUNT Detectives worked diligently for months monitoring phone pings. In September 2025, observing the pings, the subject finally headed south. LPR hits confirmed the suspect vehicle tripping to the Pontiac area, then headed back north after approximately 40 minutes. Detectives quickly arranged with Alpena Troopers Rabeau and Pagels for a probable cause traffic stop. This stop resulted in approximately 425 grams of cocaine and crack. \$2646 was also seized with the intent to forfeit.



On September 29, 2025, two follow-up search warrants were conducted. At the first search warrant (a local business) three pistols, cocaine, and additional evidence of sales were located. At the suspect's residence further evidence of sales and a pistol with the serial number scratched off was located. Multiple suspects are expected to be charged, and investigation continues into the source. HUNT was assisted by STING, Alpena Post, Seventh District K9 assets, and Alpena PD.



**STREET VALUE OF DRUGS SEIZED ~ \$48,780**



# ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

## ALCONA COUNTY

During September of 2025, HUNT was able facilitate a purchase of methamphetamine from a well known narcotics dealer in Alcona County. HUNT detectives then conducted surveillance while the male suspect traveled to Atlanta where he met with his source and a drug deal was observed.

With the assistance of MSP Alpena Troopers a traffic stop was conducted in Alcona County. As a result of the stop, methamphetamine were located in the male suspect's jeans and underwear and a roadside confession was obtained by HUNT detectives. Detectives then conducted a search warrant at the suspect's residence and located additional methamphetamine and multiple firearms. MSP Alpena Troopers further assisted at the scene of the search warrant and with lodging both the male and female suspects on charges of Delivery of Methamphetamine, PWID Methamphetamine, Maintaining a Drug House, and Conspiracy to Deliver Methamphetamine. Total seizure was approximately 28 grams of methamphetamine, 4 long guns with one being an AK-47 and a 9mm pistol. Arnett photo for this one



STREET VALUE OF DRUGS SEIZED \$2,800



# ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

## ALCONA COUNTY

HUNT detectives initiated a narcotics investigation into a known local dealer who was trafficking methamphetamine, cocaine and heroin throughout Alpena and Alcona Counties. The suspect had taken over another dealer's business after that dealer was sentenced to prison on another HUNT investigation earlier this year. On 12-23-25, a cell phone ping alerted detectives that the suspect was making a trip to Flint and immediately back to his residence in Alcona County. HUNT conducted a traffic stop in Alcona County which resulted in the seizure of 57.4 grams of methamphetamine, 5 grams of fentanyl and the forfeiture of the suspect's truck. Detectives immediately followed the traffic stop up by executing a search warrant at the suspect's residence which resulted in the additional seizure of 31.2 grams of methamphetamine, a digital scale and packaging material from the suspect's bedroom as well as an additional 6.5 grams of methamphetamine from a computer room in the residence which the suspect's father admitted to possessing. Suspect was lodged on a variety of charges.

**STREET VALUE OF DRUGS SEIZED \$9,800**



# ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

## MONTMORENCY COUNTY



On 5-25-26 HUNT followed a suspect they have been investigating on a drug run downstate. STING assisted with surveillance. After hours of surveillance, at around 1:30 am a probable cause traffic stop resulted in the seizure of approximately 50 gms of crystal meth. The suspect was lodged. The arrest happened in Oscoda County and there are additional charges coming in Montmorency. HUNT assisted by MSP Alpena, 7th District K9, STING and Oscoda County Sheriff's Office.



STREET VALUE OF DRUGS SEIZED \$5,000



# ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

## PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY

On 10-23-25 Presque Isle County Sheriff's office requested HUNT assist with a search warrant at a desolate location for a stolen LS Tractor. Information was developed from a SANE informant, HUNT assistance, an FBI raid for CSAM, the DNR and good investigative work. Upon arrival, 8 trailers had to be cleared, with the last trailer containing what can only be described as a dungeon of highly profane items, including several firearms and the key for the tractor. The stolen tractor was located hidden in the woods, along with an additional stolen dump trailer from Memphis, Michigan. Charges are expected to be authorized for Receiving and Concealing over \$20,000.

HUNT, SANE, Alpena Post members, and Presque Isle Sheriff's office all worked together towards the successful conclusion of this case.



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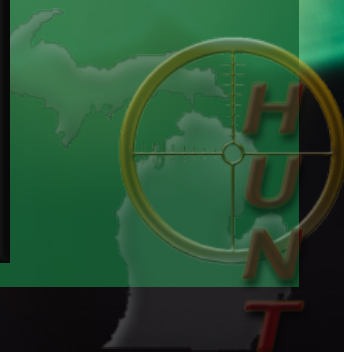
## HUNT/SANE COOPERATIVE

HUNT/SANE Cooperation- HUNT has been investigating a large-scale meth and cocaine dealer in Presque Isle County. Information was that the suspect tripped twice a month to Saginaw to pick up substantial amounts of meth and cocaine, supplying the Onaway and Tower areas. Flock cameras confirmed these trips.

SANE also developed an informant with similar information and both teams agreed to work together.

On 6-24-25 a camera showed the suspect making this Saginaw trip. All possible routes northbound were covered by both teams. The suspect was located and a traffic stop revealed the following- 170 grams of cocaine, 25 grams of crack, 114 grams of meth, and 900 cash. The suspect, a convicted felon, agreed to a consent search of his residence which revealed additional narcotics, evidence of sales, and a .22 caliber pistol. This is believed to be one of the largest drug seizures in Presque Isle County ever. Great teamwork! Assisted by MSP Alpena and the Presque Isle SO

## STREET VALUE OF DRUGS SEIZED



# THE HUNT CONTINUES...

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